

Amendments to the claims (this listing replaces all prior versions):

1-13. (Cancelled)

14. (currently amended) A method for use in a visualization system comprising the steps of:
on a computer, displaying to a user
generating data representing a trend line as a function of a provided performance measure
at a succession of times prior to a date,
generating data representing at least one stripe, each stripe a visualization element that
indicates the indicating odds of [[a]] the performance measure of an asset being within displayed
a corresponding range[[s]] of identified potential values of the performance measure at a
succession of times in the future,
each stripe beginning at the end of the trend line and becoming broader as it extends to
times later than the date,
a boundary of each stripe varying as a function of time according to variations in the odds
of the performance measure being within the range represented by the stripe as determined by an
algorithm capable of producing predicted probability distributions, and
displaying the trend line and the stripes in the visualization system.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14 in which the performance measure comprises a price of the asset.

16. (Original) The method of claim 14 in which the performance measure comprises a return percentage.

17. (Original) The method of claim 14 in which the performance measure comprises a tax-adjusted return percentage.

18. (currently amended) The method of claim 14 in which ~~the visualization element~~
generating data includes generating data representing two or more include stripes
~~superimposed on a graph of the performance measure over time, each of the stripes representing~~
~~one of the displayed~~ a different range[[s]] of potential values of the performance measure, and
displaying includes displaying each of the two or more stripes.

19-21. (Cancelled)

22. (currently amended) The method of claim 14 in which ~~the visualization element~~ each
stripe includes two portions, one of the portions representing the odds prior to a second specified
date based on one assumption, the other of the portions representing the odds after the second
~~specified~~ date based on another assumption.

23. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 in which the second specified date is a date
on which tax effects change from the one assumption to the other assumption.

24-27. (Cancelled)

28. (currently amended) A method for use in a visualization system comprising the steps of:
~~on a computer, displaying to a user~~
generating data representing at least one stripe ~~a visualization element~~ that indicates the
odds of a provided performance measure ~~of an asset~~ being within a corresponding displayed
range[[s]] of potential ~~identified~~ values of the performance measure at a succession of times ~~in~~
~~the future~~ later than a date,

each stripe beginning at a point which represents the date and becoming broader as it extends to times later than the date,

each stripe ~~the visualization element includes~~ including two portions, one of the portions representing the odds prior to a second date based on one assumption, the other of the portions representing the odds after the second date based on another assumption, a boundary of each stripe varying as a function of time according to variations in the odds of the performance measure being within the range represented by the stripe as determined by an algorithm capable of producing predicted probability distributions, and displaying the stripes in the visualization system.